

Senate, with the time until 12:30 p.m., equally divided between the two Leaders or their designees.

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**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-8)

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**Kessler Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jeffrey Kessler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of S. Res. 50, improving procedures for the consideration of nominations in the Senate.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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**Altman Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Roy Kalman Altman, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Jeffrey Kessler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Daniel Habib Jorjani, of Kentucky, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

23 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—56)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:17 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2160.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman and a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 1999-2018; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 273, and 275-279 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 274, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 7) to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress; providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 271) Condemning the Trump Administrations's Legal Campaign to Take Away

Americans' Health Care; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 116–28). **Page H2937**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Gomez to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2925**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2926**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 181 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 139. **Pages H2926, H2934–35**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:09 p.m. and reconvened at 4:05 p.m. **Page H2927**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Department of Homeland Security Morale, Recognition, Learning and Engagement Act of 2019:* H.R. 1433, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve morale within the Department of Homeland Security workforce by conferring new responsibilities to the Chief Human Capital Officer, establishing an employee engagement steering committee, requiring action plans, and authorizing an annual employee award program; **Pages H2927–29**

*Coordinating and Leveraging Activities for School Security Act of 2019:* H.R. 1593, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a school security coordinating council, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 384 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 137; **Pages H2929–30, H2933**

*Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2019:* H.R. 1590, amended, to require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 394 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 138; and **Pages H2930–31, H2933–34**

*CBRN Intelligence and Information Sharing Act of 2019:* H.R. 1589, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security. **Pages H2931–33**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:39 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2933**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that

was declared on April 3, 2014 is to continue in effect beyond April 3, 2019—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–25). **Page H2927**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H2926–27.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2933, H2933–34, and H2934–35. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

**VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2019; CONDEMNING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S LEGAL CAMPAIGN TO TAKE AWAY AMERICANS' HEALTH CARE; TO DIRECT THE REMOVAL OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM HOSTILITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF YEMEN THAT HAVE NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee began a hearing on H.R. 1585, the "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019"; and held a hearing on H. Res. 271, the condemning the Trump Administration's legal campaign to take away Americans' health care; and S.J. Res. 7, to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of S.J. Res. 7, To direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress and H. Res. 271, condemning the Trump Administration's legal campaign to take away Americans' health care. Section 1 of the rule provides for consideration of S.J. Res. 7 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to commit. Section 2 of the rule provides for consideration of H. Res. 271, condemning the Trump Administration's legal campaign to take away Americans' health care, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority